## Greening State Government Conference – A Look at Water

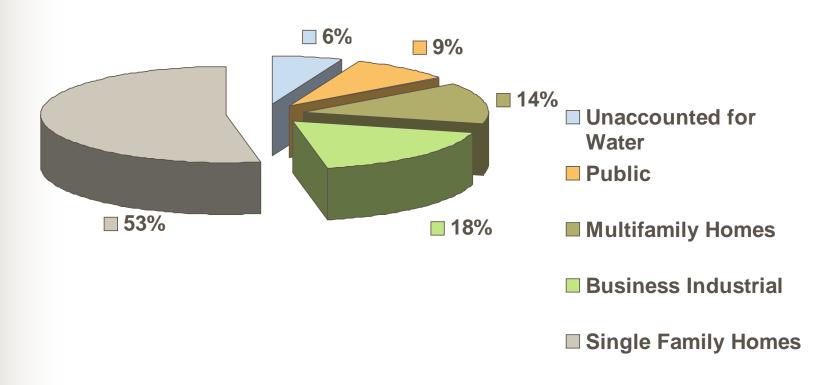


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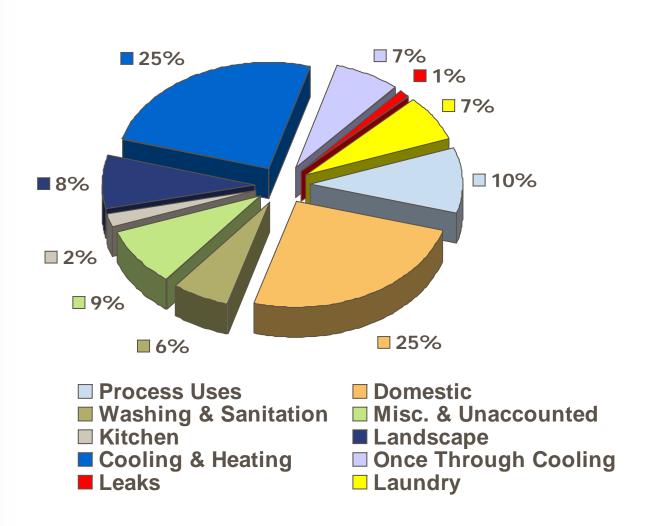
### Overview of Denver Water

- Population Served 1,100,000
- Population 50% Inside Denver 50% Suburbs
- 50% of Supply from East Slope
   50% of Supply from West Slope
- Independent Agency of City & County of Denver

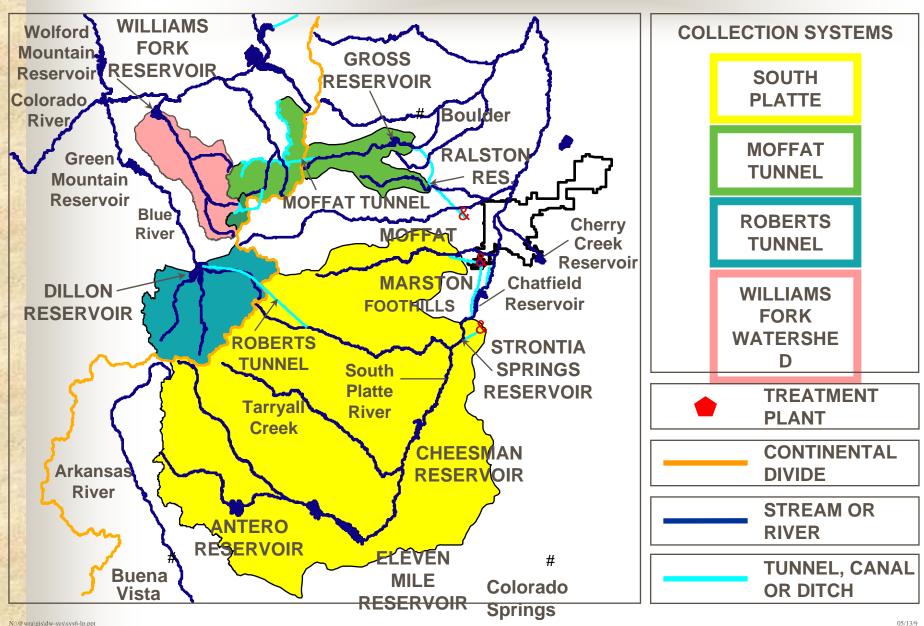
# Customer Use by Category



### Commercial/Industrial/Public Uses



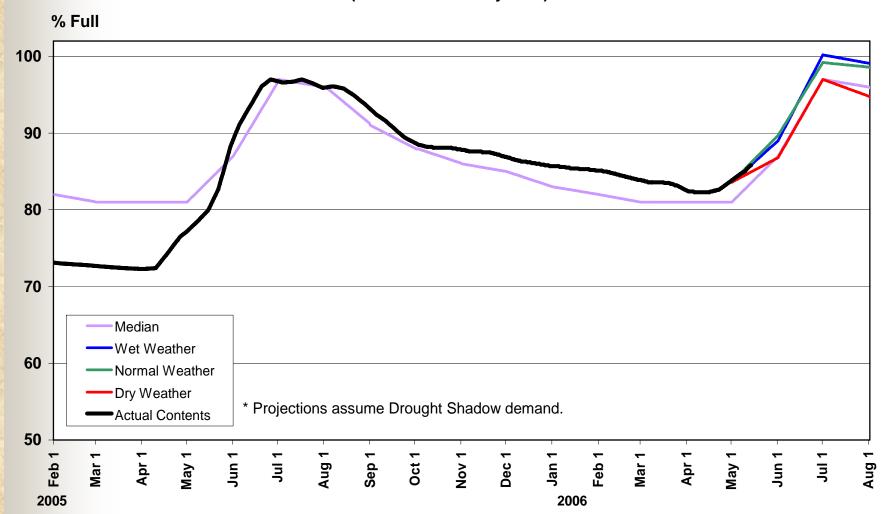
# Denver Board of Water Commissioners Water Collection System





#### **Denver Water Total Reservoir Storage**

(Historical and Projected)



\*Note: There is about a 10% chance that actual stream flow will be less than that assumed for the "dry" scenario and about a 10% chance that actual streamflow will be greater than that assumed for the "wet" scenario.

<sup>\*</sup> Forecast Date is May 9, 2006.

### The Real Cost of Water

- Water \$1.64/1000 gallons to
   \$4.00/1000 gallons
- Sewer \$1.95/1000 gallons
- Sewer Surcharge
- Energy Costs Pumping & Heating
- Chemical Costs
- Drought Surcharge



### Audits

- Identify and quantify all water using equipment and processes
- Tools
- Water Balance
- Key Target Areas
- ✓ Cooling & Heating
- ✓ Process & Equipment Use
- ✓ Sanitary, Kitchen
- ✓ Domestic
- ✓ Landscape Irrigation
- ✓ Leaks



### Tools of the Trade

- Domestic Plumbing Codes –5.0gpf/1982 to 3.5gpf/1992 to 1.6gpf
- Laundry 3gal/pound
- Landscape 18gal/ft2 (<u>irrigation</u> credit)
- Cooling 3gpm/100ton (evaporation credit)
- Food Service 3 gal/meal (product credit)



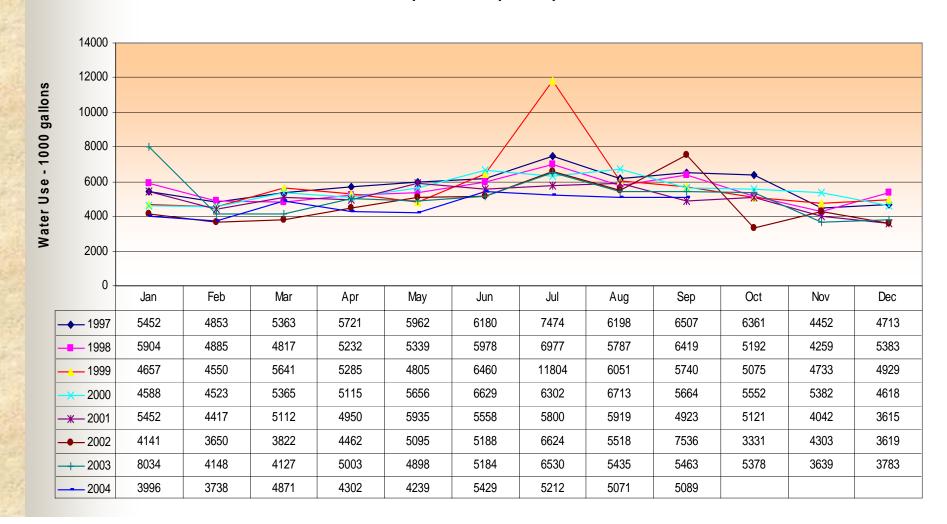
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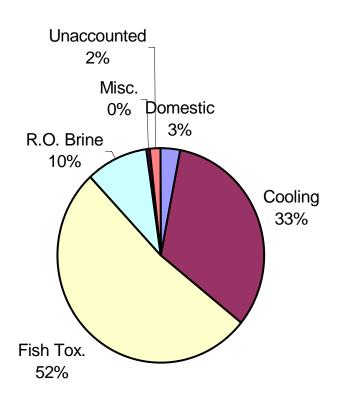
- Flow bag
- Ultrasonic flow meter
- Data logger
- Conductivity meter
- Thermometer
- Leak detection tablet
- Sub meter
- Pressure gauge



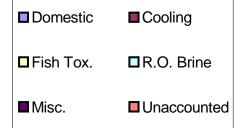
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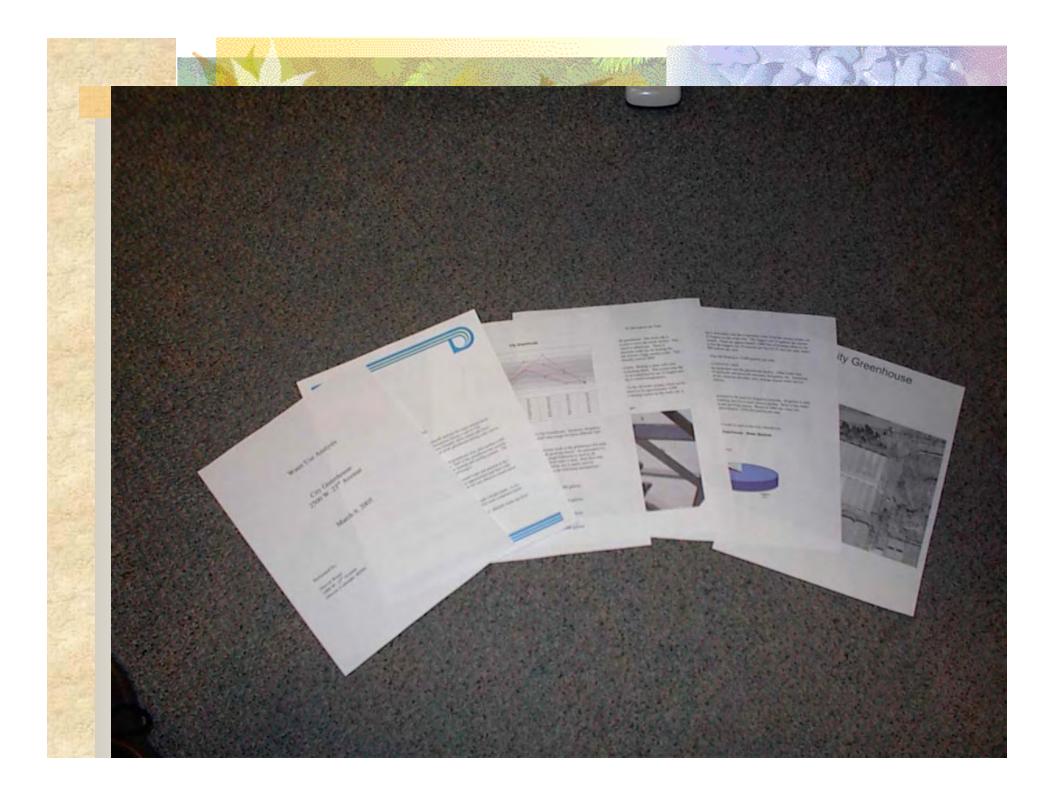
**Exempla St. Joseph Hospital** 





#### Water Balance - EPA Lab



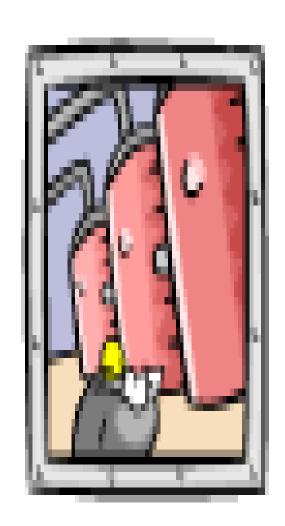


# Commercial/Industrial Performance Contracting Program

- 300,000 gallons minimum
- Extra Incentive
- Maximum of \$40,000
- \$4,500 Acre-foot

# Typical Scenario

- Contact Denver Water
- Site Visit
- Quantification
- Agreement
- Installation
- Monitored for 1-year
- Check is written

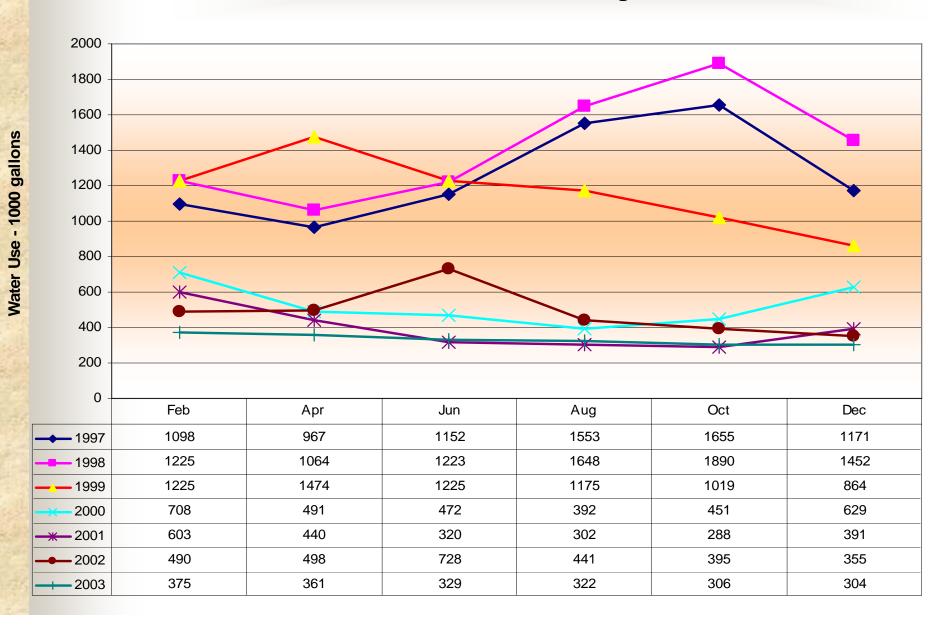


- Laundry
- Closed-Loop Applications
- Metal Finishing
- Cooling Tower
- Hospitals
- Air-Cooled Equipment
- Cleaning
- Water Treatment Systems Recycling

### Colorado Business Bank Building

- Tied into District Chilled Water
- Closed-loop several once-through cooling flows from Broker Restaurant

#### **Colorado Business Bank Building**



### East Side Kosher Deli

- Eight single-pass cooling compressors –
   tied into a closed-loop unit
- Walk-in coolers, walk-in freezers, icemakers, reach-in coolers



#### **East Side Kosher Deli**



# Cooling Tower Program

- 25% of Commercial/Industrial Water Use
- 2000 Cooling Towers in Denver Water Service Area
- Feed & Bleed Systems

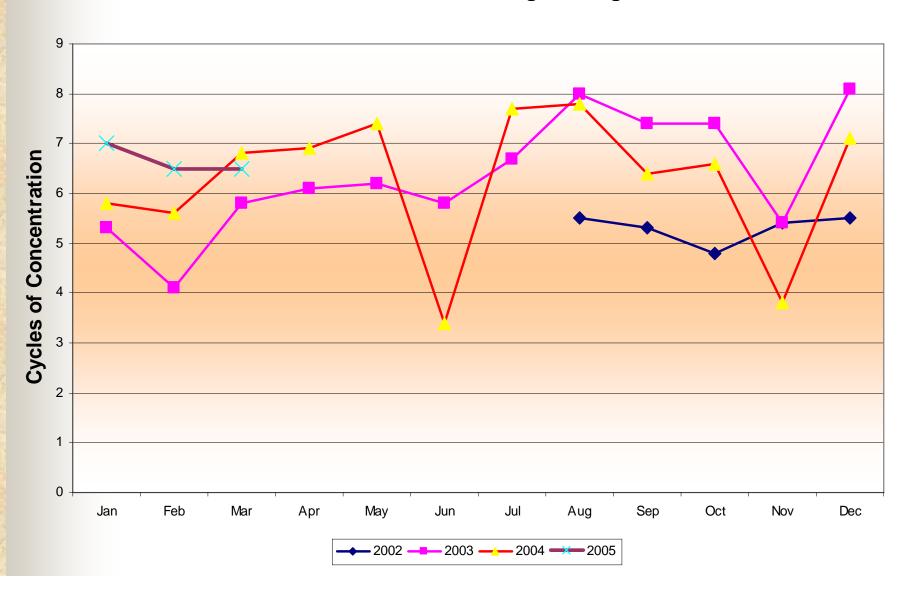




## Cooling System Audits

- Operated 3 4 Cycles of Concentration
- Increase Cycles
- Monitoring Devices Conductivity
- Regular Testing
- Flow Meters Evaporation Credits
- Cooling Tower Pilot Program

#### **Denver Water Administration Bldg. Cooling Tower**



# Cooling Tower Conductivity Control Rebate

- \$500 for Cooling Tower Conductivity
   Control Systems (new or replacement)
- \$50 each for CT Make-up & Bleed Meters

With sub-metering of make-up and bleed, you may be eligible for evaporation credits from your wastewater utility

# Cooling Tower Pilot Program

- Wastewater Management & Denver Water
- Enter Cooling Tower make-up and bleed meter readings electronically
- Evaporation Credits on sewer bill
- Efficiency check

# Single-Pass Cooling

- Ice Machines
- Freezers/Coolers
- Air Compressors
- Air Conditioning Units
- Hydraulic Equipment Cooling
- Vacuum Pumps
- X-ray Processing Units
- CAT Scanners

# Other Options

- Air-cooled Equipment
- Closed-loop systems
- Recycle i.e. cooling tower make-up
- Add temperature control valves



# Replacement of Water-Cooled Equipment

 \$450 per piece of equipment replaced with air-cooled equipment

### Other Incentives and Rebates

- Commercial High-Efficiency Toilet Rebate Program -\$125 per toilet for dual-flush and 1.1 gpf units
- Boilerless Steamer Replacement Rebate \$350 when replacing atmospheric steamers
- MF Sub-Metering Rebate Program \$40 per sub-meter
- Coin-Operated Laundry Equipment Rebate \$150 for replacing top-Oload with approved front-load machines
- Certified Car Wash Equipment Weep management system and nozzle rebates available for certified car wash locations

### What Can You Do?

- Know Where Your Water Goes Do the Obvious First
- Do a Water Audit
- Identify Opportunities
- Plan & Implement Measures
- Take Advantage of Rebates and Incentives

### What Your Water Utility Can Do

- Consumption History
- Billing Analysis
- Audits
- Rebates & Incentives

# Looking Ahead

- Costs
- Drought
- Looking for New Ideas



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